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Inspection Report

Minerals Regulatory Program

May 30, 2012

Reviewed: RL

Mine Name: Italian Tan
Operator Name: Quality Building Stone

Permit number: S/007/0038
Inspection Date: April 25, 2012
Time: About 4:15-4:30 PM

Inspector(s): Paul Baker
Other Participants: None
Mine Status: Mostly reclaimed

Weather: Mostly cloudy, 60s

Elements of Inspection	Evaluated	Comment	Enforcement
1. Permits, Revisions, Transfer, Bonds, Permit Fees	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Public Safety (shafts, adits, trash, signs, highwalls)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Protection of Drainages / Erosion Control	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Deleterious Material	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Roads (maintenance, surfacing, dust control, safety)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Concurrent Reclamation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Backfilling/Grading (trenches, pits, roads, highwalls, shafts, drill holes)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Soils	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Revegetation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Purpose of Inspection:

There is an area where there is some question whether the grading is adequate, and I wanted to see this myself and to make sure the Division has good photo-documentation. I tried to have someone from Utah Railway participate in the inspection, but their schedule would not allow it.

Inspection Summary:

1. Permits, Revisions, Transfer, Bonds, Permit Fees
Permit fees were last due and paid in 2010.

The Division holds a reclamation surety of \$12,500 in the form of a letter of credit.

7. Backfilling/Grading (trenches, pits, roads, highwalls, shafts, drill holes)

In accordance with the desires of Utah Railway, the operator did not reclaim a road that goes to the top of the hill, but there is a drainage that was also not reclaimed (Photos 1 and 2).

9. Revegetation

Wayne Western inspected the site on April 4, 2012, and his inspection report says, "The Permittee seeded the area during reclamation, which was in the early spring." The areas had been roughened, but I did not see evidence of anything growing yet.

Conclusions and Recommendations:

I believe the drainage area shown in Photos 1 and 2 is not part of a road system and that it needs to be reclaimed, but the Division needs to try to do a site visit with a representative of Utah Railway to confirm

this. The operator left a road, so I do not believe there needs to be a second access route to the top of the hill. The drainage is too steep to be considered a road, and there are also two large rocks at the bottom of the drainage that would preclude it from being used as a road.

It's early in the season for anything to be growing, but it has also been very dry. The Division will need to retain some of the reclamation surety money to ensure successful revegetation, but this would be a fairly simple site to reseed.

Inspector's Signature

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cc: Velina Miller, Quality Building Stone

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Photo 1. The drainage discussed in the inspection report is in the center of this photo. On the left side of this photo one can see the cut formed by upper portion of the switchback road.



Photo 2. Another view of the drainage. Note the rocks at the bottom. These rocks and the steepness would preclude anyone from using the drainage as a road.